The CW requirement:

The way I see it is that CW is a mode of operation as is AM, FM, SSB, SSTV, etc... There are other modes for people to use and enjoy. But by not allowing the option of CW to operators such as me and in fact forcing me to have the requirement, my freedom given to me by the citizens of the United States of America of my preferred choice of use has been revoked. Thanks!

FCC didn't test me on how fast I can talk or even my grammar quality on phone. They didn't test me on how fast I could send or the quality of my SSTV. Why do they test me on my ability of CW? Especially when I personally don't have a use for it and have been having difficulty understanding it probably due to the thousands of ear problems I have had during my younger years. Thanks again for singling me out!

I have enjoyed many years using 11 meters but as a licensed operator you may know that it is limited and can be nauseating at times. So this is why I want to expand my horizons but in this free land that mode that I personally have no need for is keeping me from using HF altogether.

So go ahead and put CW as the top and only mode of operation used on HF which in reality it is not. Feel good that you are not allowing me the freedom granted me for living in the U.S.A. Go ahead and keep it up as this is only making me wonder about the amateurs creed that I have put on the top of my list of things to accomplish and be proud of even if you may not.

For me amateur radio is not only something to do, there is something else I desire to be and be great at that I have had issues with in my past. Thank you for not allowing me to accomplish this goal to make myself into a better person by way of things I enjoy to do. That is what I originally thought it was all about in the first place.

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